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<b>TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US) CONCERNING A SUBMISSION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371</b>		ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER 63034 (51969) U.S. APPLICATION NO. (if known, see 37 CFR 1.5) <div style="font-size: 2em; font-weight: bold; margin-top: 5px;">10/527700</div>
INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/EP2002/010198	INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE 11 September 2002	PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED
TITLE OF INVENTION     MIDDLEWARE PLATFORM		
APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US     Kayoko Fukasawa, <i>et al.</i>		

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371 (f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. ☐ The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
  - a. ☒ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
7. ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes of the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).

**Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:**

11. ☐ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. ☒ A preliminary amendment.
14. ☒ An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. ☐ A substitute specification.
16. ☐ A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 - 1.825.
18. ☐ A second copy of the published International Application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
19. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
20. ☒ Other items or information: A copy of PCT Request dated September 11, 2002; 12 sheets of Figs.; copy of PCT/ISA/210; copy of PCT/IB/308; Copy of PCT/IB/332; copy of PCT/IB/301; copy of PCT/IPEA/416; copy of PCT/IPEA/409; Certificate of Express Mailing (Label No.: EV 492341171 US); and return postcard.

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The following fees have been submitted				CALCULATIONS	PTO USE ONLY
21.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Basic national fee	\$300	\$	300.00	
22.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Examination fee				
If International preliminary examination report prepared by USPTO and all claims satisfy provisions of PCT Article 33(1)-(4).....					
All other situations .....			\$	200.00	
23.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Search fee				
Search fee (37 CFR 1.445(a)(2)) has been paid on the international application to the USPTO as an International Searching Authority.....					
International Search Report prepared and provided to the Office .....					
All other situations .....			\$	500.00	
<b>TOTAL OF 21, 22 and 23 =</b>				\$	1,000.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Additional fee for specification and drawings filed in paper over 100 sheets (excluding sequence listing or computer program listing filed in an electronic medium). The fee is \$250 for each additional 50 sheets of paper or fraction thereof.					
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CLAIMS	NUMBER FILED	NUMBER EXTRA	RATE		
Total claims	23 - 20 =	3	x 50.00	\$	150.00
Independent claims	2 - 3 =		x	\$	0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM(s) (if applicable)			+	\$	
<b>TOTAL OF ABOVE CALCULATIONS =</b>				\$	1,150.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Fees above are reduced by 1/2.				\$	
<b>SUBTOTAL =</b>				\$	1,150.00
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<b>TOTAL NATIONAL FEE =</b>				\$	1,150.00
Fee for recording the enclosed assignment (37 CFR 1.21 (h)). The assignment must be accompanied by an appropriate cover sheet (37 CFR 3.28, 3.31). \$40.00 per property				+	\$
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<b>NOTE:</b> Where an appropriate time limit under 37 CFR 1.495 has not been met, a petition to revive (37 CFR 1.137 (a) or (b)) must be filed and granted to restore the International Application to pending status.					
SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:  John J. Penny EDWARDS & ANGELL, LLP P.O. Box 55874 Boston, Massachusetts 02205 (617) 439-4444 CUSTOMER NUMBER: 21874					
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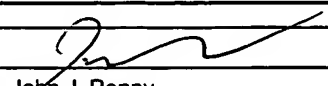
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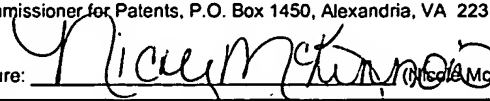
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<input type="checkbox"/> Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27		Application Number	Not Yet Assigned	
		Filing Date	Concurrently Herewith	
		First Named Inventor	Kayoko Fukasawa	
		Examiner Name	Not Yet Assigned	
		Art Unit	N/A	
TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT	(\$)	1,150.00	Attorney Docket No.	63034 (51969)

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<b>FEE CALCULATION</b>							
<b>1. BASIC FILING, SEARCH, AND EXAMINATION FEES</b>							
Application Type	FILING FEES		SEARCH FEES		EXAMINATION FEES		Fees Paid (\$)
	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	
<b>2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES</b>							
						Small Entity	
Fee Description						Fee (\$)	Fee (\$)
Each claim over 20 (including Reissues)						50	25
Each independent claim over 3 (including Reissues)						200	100
Multiple dependent claims						360	180
Total Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)		Multiple Dependent Claims	
23		- 20 = 3	x			Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)
Indep. Claims		Extra Claims	Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)			
2		- 3 =	x				
<b>3. APPLICATION SIZE FEE</b>							
If the specification and drawings exceed 100 sheets of paper (excluding electronically filed sequence or computer listings under 37 CFR 1.52(e)), the application size fee due is \$250 (\$125 for small entity) for each additional 50 sheets or fraction thereof. See 35 U.S.C. 41(a)(1)(G) and 37 CFR 1.16(s).							
Total Sheets	Extra Sheets	Number of each additional 50 or fraction thereof		Fee (\$)	Fee Paid (\$)		
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<b>4. OTHER FEE(S)</b>							
Non-English Specification, \$130 fee (no small entity discount)						Fees Paid (\$)	
Other (e.g., late filing surcharge): 1631 Basic National Stage fee						300.00	
1633 National Stage Examination Fee - all other ...						200.00	
1632 National Stage Search Fee - all other situations						500.00	
1615 National Stage claims - extra total (over twenty)						150.00	

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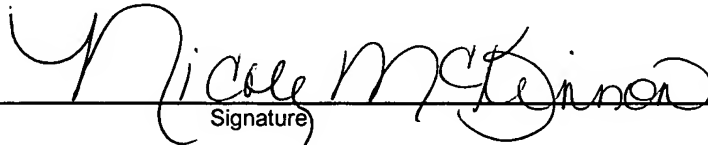
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